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MARGINAL COLUMN

By SHEV LAQUEUR

THERE have been persistent rumours of late about impending archaeological revelations of the greatest importance. They concern the discovery in a place not far from Jerusalem of a new and hitherto unknown culture going back some seven or eight thousand years. But it is unlikely that even the most sensational new discoveries will cause a lull in the battle over the Dead Sea Scrolls which has assumed truly gigantic proportions, what with acrimonious exchanges of letters in "The Times," TV interviews, and a polemical literature growing larger every day. Even a Soviet periodical ("Vestnik Drevnoi Istorii") has now for the first time given its version of the dispute. Incidentally it is also for the first time that some recent Hebrew books (however specialized) have been quoted in a Soviet publication (notably the books by Sukenik, Habermann and Avigad).

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THE entire dispute is, of course, extremely bewildering for the layman. It has nothing to do with the original attacks faced by those who discovered the Scrolls (i.e., that they were somehow faked, or in any case far less ancient than assumed). At present everybody, or almost everybody, seems to be agreed about the age of the Scrolls, but there is no such unanimity with regard to their implications. A debate had been going on for some time, mainly as a result of the publications of a French expert, Dupont-Sommer. But things came to a head following the publication of Mr. Edmund Wilson's recent book on the subject, and a subsequent article in the May issue of "Encounter." Edmund Wilson is a well-known literary critic and a very erudite writer, generally speaking, but he has been attacked, of course, by many experts as "incompetent" to take sides in a dispute which presupposes very specialized knowledge.

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THESE attacks were only to be expected, for one of Mr. Wilsons' main theses had been that the Scrolls showed that Christianity was a natural development from Judaism, but that many of the (Christian) experts were really 'clergymen scholars' who were incapable for reasons of theological dogma of drawing the obvious conclusions from their own work. They would never admit, for example, that John the Baptist and Jesus (or either of them) may have been members of the Essene community, which is apparently to be identified with the Qumran sect who owned the Scrolls. Edmund Wilsons' ideas received unexpected support when Mr. John Allegro, a Manchester historian, suggested some three months ago that the Teacher of Righteousness (the leader and hero of the Qumran sect) had in effect been crucified — as stated in a fragment of Bible commentary found at Qumran but not yet published. These views were, however, emphatically rejected by a group of other specialists (headed by Pere de Vaux) who maintained that the reference to "hanging up alive" does not connect crucifixion with the Teacher of Righteousness.

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THE dispute boils down to the question of how intimate a connection there was between the Essene Community and Christianity. According to the unorthodox view, Jesus of Nazareth and Christianity came as an offshoot, a popular development of one of these sects. The "clergymen scholars" on the other hand (as Edmund Wilson calls them in a somewhat unfriendly manner) maintain that there was a vague, remote relationship only — perhaps by way of the teachings of John the Baptist, but not through Jesus. The "clergymen scholars" have violently resented the insinuations about being unable to face the theological implications of the Scrolls and have charged their lay critics with lack of sound learning and good judgment.

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BUT the impression remains that some vested interests — or even only psychological inhibitions — are at work to make the differences between Christianity and the Essenite sects appear rather larger than they really were, though it may gradually become a question of nuance rather than of principle. After all, every scholar bases his studies on some basic religious or philosophical tenets. It would be interesting to know, for instance, to what degree the fierce opposition of Dr. Millar Burrows (one of the pillars of the "clergymen scholars" in the United States) to most things connected with present-day Israel is the result of his historical studies — or *vice versa*. Historical research is never done in a vacuum, after all.

London, May 25.

URUGUAYAN MINISTER HANDS CREDENTIALS

The new Minister of Uruguay, Dr. Pedro Maria di Lorenzo, presented a copy of his letter of appointment to Mr. Sharett yesterday afternoon at the Foreign Minister's office in Jerusalem. He is to present his credentials today to President Ben-Zvi.

The Uruguayan Legation is to be set up in Jerusalem.

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Citrus Growers Ask U.S. to Keep Out of Europe

Jerusalem Post Staff

REHOVOT, Sunday. — Delegates to the Fourth Congress on Mediterranean Citriculture wound up their closing session here this evening with the hope that American orange exporters may be induced to discontinue their efforts to capture European markets.

Although this plea was not openly stated, a resolution was passed at the plenary session of the Congress calling for the abolition of subsidies for citrus exports all over the world.

The U.S. Government is granting a subsidy of 75 cents for each crate exported, thus enabling American oranges to compete with Mediterranean products in Europe. Actual negotiations on the matter were left to the Permanent Committee of Mediterranean Citriculture in Madrid.

The problem of consumption expanding at a much slower rate than production was another field where delegates concluded the Congress with feelings of satisfaction. It is hoped that increased and co-ordinated publicity efforts will increase consumption in Europe and reduce the danger of overproduction.

The four Arab member states of the Permanent Committee — Egypt, Syria, the Lebanon and Libya — boycotted the Congress. But Arab delegates from French North Africa took an active part.

The delegates ate lunch, provided by the Accadia Grand Hotel at the Pardess Syndicate packing house, where Mayor Yitzhak Katz greeted them on behalf of this town.

After lunch, the visitors toured the Weizmann Institute and the Research Station of the Ministry of Agriculture.

Tonight, the Congress came to a formal close with a ball at the Accadia.

SEVEN ARRIVE AFTER 5 YEARS IN IRAQ JAIL

LYDDA AIRPORT, Sunday. — Seven young men who served five-year prison terms in Iraq for "Zionist activities," were re-united with their families here today.

The arrivals, aged 22 to 24, said that they had been maltreated while in prison, particularly during the two weeks preceding their release.

After completion of their sentences, they were detained for four months in a police station while arrangements for their deportation were completed.

They arrived early this morning from Nicosia by Cyprus Airways.

BIG ISRAEL BOND DRIVE IN JUNE

NEW YORK, Sunday (INA). — Mr. Abraham Feinberg, President of the Israel Bond Drive, has announced that the organization has proclaimed June as "security month" to mobilize maximum investment capital to strengthen Israel's economic security at this time of crisis.

There will be intensive campaigning geared towards achieving a minimum of $30m. in bond sales.

3 Die as Cypriot Turks, Greeks Clash

NICOSIA, Sunday (Reuter). — Tight security measures were clamped on Cypriot centres today to prevent new clashes between Greeks and Turks after 24 hours of violence in which three men were killed.

A Cypriot Turkish auxiliary policeman died today of wounds caused by a bomb thrown as he stood guard outside the Paphos Court House. During the night, one Turkish Cypriot was killed, one Greek shot dead and nine persons were wounded in riots in Afania Village, near here.

The Turkish quarter of Nicosia's walled city was placed under curfew this evening when Turks gathered in the streets shouting "Revenge" after learning of the Afania riots, described as the worst Greco-Turkish clash so far in the island's emergency.

During the afternoon, five Greek-owned shops near the Turkish sector were burned by indignant Turks.

An official statement issued today said that the rioting broke out late last night following the return of some members of the Turkish community from a wedding feast in a nearby village.

Killed by Forces

The statement said that the Greek Cypriot was killed by shots fired by security forces sent to quell the riot.

A Turkish house was burned during the riots. One report stated that some domestic animals were burned to death and three farmhouses had been set alight.

Turks blamed Greeks for the trouble at Afania. Dr. Fadil Kutchuk, leader of the Turkish community, gave this version of the clash at a Press conference.

Greeks in the village formed up threateningly and the Turkish minority withdrew to nearby fields. The Greeks then set fire to three Turkish houses.

Different Versions

Dr. Kutchuk said that when he and his nephew arrived in the village on a motorcycle they were attacked by about 200 Greeks. The motorcyclist, Mustafa Ali, 32, an auxiliary policeman employed by the Royal Air Force, was killed.

Three young Greeks in a Famagusta clinic with wounds sustained in the riot, declared that the clashes began with shotgun fire on Greeks. They said that about 20 Greek villagers, sitting with their priest in a local club at about 9.30 p.m., were sprayed with shotgun pellets from a distance. They added that there was also automatic fire and one of the three, Costas Christodoulou, has a rifle bullet wound in the leg.

The curfew in the Turkish quarter of Nicosia, from 4 p.m. to 10.30 p.m. today, is the first imposed on Turkish sectors alone.

British troops cordoned off the Greek central sector of Nicosia today as more than 150 persons, nearly all Cypriot Greeks, left their shops, offices and homes which are to be closed for three months as a collective punishment because "they failed to give information" about bomb-throwers last Monday when a British soldier was fatally wounded.

French Comb Out Algiers Casbah

ALGIERS, Sunday (Reuter). — The usually teeming maze of alleys in the Algiers Casbah was deserted today as 7,500 troops and police combed the picturesque hillside quarter for insurgents and arms.

A police communique said that arms and printing equipment had been seized and more than 2,000 suspects detained. The operation is continuing. French sources spoke of "veritable dumps" of arms and equipment being found.

Paratroopers patrolled the normally crowded streets, and a helicopter hovered overhead as police searched every house of the densely populated area where 50,000 persons live. Suspects, their hands clasped behind their heads, were driven away for questioning. One Moslem was reported killed in a scuffle with a soldier. The drive followed the round-up in Algiers last week of more than 100 persons suspected of working for the insurgents.

Yesterday, 66 insurgents and one soldier were killed in clashes. The destruction was reported of an insurgent headquarters in Beni Assous near the Moroccan frontier, scene of increased rebel activity recently. In Philippeville, a European policeman was shot dead outside his home by an unknown attacker.

The Tunisian Premier, Habib Bourguiba, went to a hospital in Tunis today to pay his last respects to the French Commander in the Kasserine sector, Col. Giard, who died last night after being wounded by mistake by Tunisian militiamen at a road block near Gafsa.

Soviets Ask WJC To Create Links With Jewries

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Dr. Nahum Goldmann said in Jerusalem last night that an invitation from Rabbi S. Shleifer, Chief Rabbi of the Soviet Union, to create permanent and firm ties between Russian and world Jewry was "welcome" and would probably be accepted.

The invitation was sent in a letter written in Hebrew to Dr. Goldmann, in his capacity as President of the World Jewish Congress. Dr. Goldmann is also President of the World Zionist Organization.

Speaking on behalf of the Soviet authorities, Rabbi Shleifer extended an invitation to a delegation of the World Jewish Congress to visit the Soviet Union and tour the Jewish communities in order to create a bond between Russian and world Jewry and to know the Soviet Jewish community at first hand.

Dr. Goldmann said last night that the matter would first have to be discussed by members of the Executive and the Congress here and abroad. It would "be some time" before action on the invitation was taken, he said.

The letter was telegraphed in full to Dr. Goldmann by the head office of the Congress in New York.

Turks Release Seven Israelis on Bail

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA, Sunday.—The seven-man crew of the fishing trawler Kadima, who were arrested off Turkey a month ago allegedly for fishing in Turkish waters, have been released on bail, according to a message received by the Fishermen's Union today.

The men are due to return home in the s.s. Kades on Wednesday.

The 13-men crews of the Nakhsholim and Neve Yam, arrested a week later on the same charges, are still being held in Iscanderun, as are the three trawlers.

Egypt Prepares For More Crime

NEW YORK, Sunday (UP). — "Touching evidence of the faith in America's mission to backward countries is the decision of Egypt to purchase about $100,000 worth of advanced crime-detecting apparatus," the "Saturday Evening Post" said today.

The national weekly magazine said editorially: "According to criminologist Ahmed Khalifa, of Cairo University, as quoted by Kathleen McLaughlin in 'The New York Times,' present-day Egypt is 'way behind the U.S. when it comes to big-time crime . . . But Mr. Khalifa predicts that as Egypt becomes more 'socialized' and 'civilized' and gets into the big money, 'the gap will narrow between the types of felonies in Egypt and those in the U.S. *Semper paratus* is Egypt's motto when it comes to dealing with the blessings of advanced civilizations."

Australian Concern Over Middle East

PERTH, Sunday (Reuter).—Premier Robert Menzies said today that from Australia's viewpoint, defence of the Middle East and South-East Asia would be among the most vital aspects of the Commonwealth Prime Ministers conference in London on June 27.

Speaking on the eve of his departure from Fremantle on a world tour, he said, "We will have a good deal of discussion about the Middle East which has a big impact on Australia's lines of communication, and the South-East Asian position with direct reference to Malaya and Singapore. The future of these countries means very much to Australia's own position in the world."

SAUDIA TO RECOGNIZE RUSSIA AND CHINA

Saudi Arabia is now taking the necessary steps to recognize the Soviet Union and People's China, according to the Arab News Agency from Cairo yesterday.

Yugoslavia, Persia Said Backing Arab Case in UN

French Leader Hits Nasser's Ambition

VICHY, Sunday (UP). — Defence Minister Maurice Bourges-Maunoury today called Premier Abdul Nasser the "Egyptian dictator."

In a message read to the National Ex-Servicemen's Congress, he appealed for their support of French military efforts in Algeria.

He said that the French Army has again received a mission "to stop the development of a totalitarian movement by a dictator wishing to hide the misery of his people in an expansionist adventure. We must not deceive ourselves, the ambitions of the Egyptian dictator are without limit."

He mentioned no name in his attack on Egyptian policy, but he said that the "dictator," in accordance with his own sayings, "proposes to bring under his ascendancy not only the Middle East and North Africa, but also a very large part of the Sahara."

'Genuine' Bid to Restore U.K.-Cairo Friendship

CAIRO, Sunday (Reuter). — The British Ambassador, Sir Humphrey Trevelyan, conferred here tonight with Foreign Minister Mahmoud Fawzy.

Diplomatic quarters said the meeting was a genuine effort to restore cordiality and friendship in Anglo-Egyptian relations as the last British soldiers were due to leave Egypt under the Suez Canal agreement.

The meeting was regarded as a continuation of discussions started yesterday when the Ambassador saw the Premier Abdul Nasser.

Egypt to Attend Soviet Air Show

CAIRO, Sunday (Reuter). — War Minister Gen. Abdul Halain Amer said today that Egypt has accepted a Soviet invitation to send a mission to next month's big air show in Moscow.

(It was announced in London yesterday that Air Minister Nigel Birch will fly to Moscow for the show. Senior U.S. Air Force officers have been invited but have not yet accepted. Syria will also send a mission.)

FAISAL TO PARIS

GIBRALTAR, Sunday (Reuter). — King Faisal of Iraq, accompanied by Crown Prince Abdul Illah, arrived here unexpectedly this afternoon from Casablanca in an Iraqi Airways Viscount plane. They were to leave for Paris later this evening.

King Faisal has been on a 48-hour official visit to Morocco, visiting Rabat and Casablanca as the guest of Sultan Mohammed ben Yussef.

U.K. Draft is 'Advance to Peace'

The Syrian delegation to the U.N. reported in Damascus yesterday that it has been informed by the Persian and Yugoslav members of the Security Council that they would insist on amendment of the British resolution to be tabled tomorrow to conform to Syrian demands.

Damascus officials said that the Arabs will demand that diversion by Israel of the Jordan River be termed in the Council a violation of previous U.N. decisions. Such a move by Israel would "bring swift Arab reaction," it was stated.

Premier Abdullah el Yafi, Foreign Minister Salim Lahoud of the Lebanon, and Premier Said el Ghazi of Syria met yesterday at the border town of Shtura to discuss the British resolution.

Second Stage to Peace

Meanwhile, the U.N. correspondent of the Cairo daily, "Al Ahram," quoted a "reliable Western source" as saying that the British resolution represents the second stage of the plan for the general settlement of the Arab-Israel problem. It added that this view was substantiated by the views of some Arab diplomats at U.N. Headquarters.

The report continued the resolution will point out that the Council is conscious of the need "to create conditions in which peaceful settlement" of the dispute will be achieved. The resolution will urge the parties to the armistice agreements speedily to carry out the measures already agreed with the U.N. Secretary-General, and Gen. E.L.M. Burns, Chief of Staff of the U.N. Truce Supervision Organization.

Gen. Burns left London by air last night to report to Mr. Hammarskjold in New York. *(ANA, NEABS, Reuter)*

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Egyptian Freed With KLM Plane

LYDDA AIRPORT, Sunday.—The K.L.M. air reconnaisance Dakota plane that was forced to land here on May 1, after being intercepted over the Machtesh Ramon, in the Central Negev, left at 4 p.m. today for Cairo. Allowed to leave with the Dutch crew was Ahmead el Gamal, the Egyptian military photographer, who has been in custody since the plane landed.

The crew had been staying at the Ramat Aviv Hotel.

About two weeks ago, the aircraft was slightly damaged by an earth remover which hit its wing. The plane was repaired by the Bedek Maintenance Base. *(Itim.)*

The following joint communique was issued yesterday by the Foreign Ministry and the Netherlands Legation in Jerusalem:

"The Egyptian flight sergeant who was present in a Netherlands plane which inadvertently crossed the international frontier from Egypt into Israel on May 1, 1956, is to be released in response to a request from the Government of the Netherlands.

"The investigation of the incident by the Israel authorities revealed that the plane had violated Israel air-space, apparently because of a navigational error on the part of the Dutch crew for which, however, the Egyptian on board the plane could not be held responsible.

"In view of the friendly relations existing between Israel and the Netherlands, the Government of Israel decided to accede to the request of the Netherlands Government to release the Egyptian flight sergeant into the custody of the captain of the Netherlands plane and to permit his departure from Israel.

ATTACKED ARABS FLEE INTO ADEN DESERT

ADEN, Sunday (Reuter). — A Royal Air Force bomber today searched the desert area of the Eastern Protectorate for 60 hostile armed tribesmen who were strafed by a dozen cannon-firing Venom jets yesterday when they refused to surrender.

A spokesman said today that there were traces of blood on the sand near Husn el Ada where the attack was made. It was presumed that the tribesmen had carried off any casualties on camels into the desert where they could mingle with other Beduin.

The tribesmen, said to be from the el Beira tribe of desert fighters, are believed to have come in lorries from Saudi Arabia where they were issued with rifles.

Yugoslav M.P.'s Conclude Visit

LYDDA AIRPORT, Sunday. The hope that the visit of Yugoslav parliamentarians to Israel will contribute to better mutual understanding between the two countries, was expressed today by the leader of the departing delegation, The Knesset Speaker, Mr. Y. Sprinzak, two Deputy Speakers, Messrs. H. Ariav and B. Mintz, and the Yugoslav Minister, Mr. J. Vukmanovic, bade farevell to the seven guests who arrived last Sunday.

"Yugoslavia maintains friendly relations and cooperates with all countries in the world and is interested in the maintenance of peace in this region," Mr. Lazar Kolisevski said in a statement to the Press.

The head of the Delegation wished further success to the factories, Trade Unions, and *kibbutzim* and other enterprises which he saw during his short stay here, and thanked the Knesset for its hospitality. *(Itim.)*

Snags in Factory Imperil Sugar Beet Crop

Jerusalem Post Staff

Some 9,000 tons of sugarbeet in the Negev are in danger of rotting in the fields or, at best, becoming cattle fodder, because of technical difficulties at the Afula sugar factory.

The loss of the crop, grown mainly by immigrants over 2,000 dunams, will hit the new farmers hard. The beet is of the best quality in the country, and with 20 per cent or higher sugar content is something of a world record. The Ministry of Agriculture had planned to plant 6,000 dunams this autumn.

Engineers at the Hamashbir Hamerkazi sugar factory at Afula, the first in the country, have been dogged for the past three months by a series of technical snags, mainly connected with the diverse origins of the various items of machinery.

As the embarrassed management has not allowed outsiders into the factory grounds, the picture of the difficulties which have slowed down the installation of the machinery must be pieced together from the accounts of various experts and technicians, each of whom puts forward his own version of where the blame lies.

On one point they are all agreed: that there is a shortage of skilled workers able to assemble a plant of so large a size and one so complex, made up of heterogeneous equipment from three main sources.

German Technicians

A substantial part of the brand new, highly automatic machinery has come from Germany under the Reparations Agreement. The five German technicians brought over with Foreign Ministry approval are either insufficient to cope with their vast assembly job, or are not supported by enough skilled local labour.

Another part of the machinery, which concentrates diluted beet extract into a 90 per cent sugar solution, comes from the U.S., but is supplemented by equipment made in Haifa by the Vulcan Foundries. Opinions vary as to the quality of the latter.

The co-ordination of this medley of machinery, not designed to work as one unit, has been giving the technicians many headaches, and the problem still awaits a solution. No American engineers have been called in to help install their section of the equipment.

Water is another cause of trouble. For some obscure reason, the plant, which needs large quantities of soft water, was located far from any such source. Eventually, water will be piped from the Kfar Baruch reservoir, at considerable cost. Meanwhile, Mekorot is supplying water which is too saline for steam turbines.

The investment in the Afula factory has so far amounted to over $7m., including $3m. of second-hand equipment bought in 1951, and most of which has had to be scrapped.

The men who are now working almost round the clock to put the tangle of machinery into working order are competent, but are overwhelmed by the magnitude of the job and the lack of skilled advice.

Unless the organization of the enterprise can be suddenly improved, in 10 days time, the country's entire sugar beet crop will be wasted, with heavy losses in money and a lowering in morale of new immigrants.

B-G, Sharett Report to Cabinet

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A considerable part of yesterday's Cabinet meeting was devoted to foreign affairs, with both the Prime Minister and Foreign Minister giving reports, which were followed by a lengthy discussion.

The Cabinet charged the Ministerial Legislation Committee with drafting an enabling act, authorizing local authorities to restrict or forbid the breeding of pigs and the sale of pork. The subject itself was not discussed yesterday. If the Committee cannot agree, the Cabinet will discuss the matter later on.

A recent Supreme Court decision forbade municipalities from legislating on this subject under the guise of sanitary or health regulations.

The Cabinet began its discussion of cutting the Budget by about IL10m., after hearing the report of the Ministerial Economic Committee. It is expected to make its decision next week. The budget reductions will apply to all Ministries.

Three Draft Laws

Three draft laws were approved. One of them is the Bill for the Control of Goods and Services, which passed its first reading in the Second Knesset but died in committee. It is an enabling act authorizing the Government to issue administrative orders during periods when a national emergency has been proclaimed. It is meant to replace the Mandatory defence regulations which the Knesset has regularly extended every six months.

Another draft law amends the Law of Invalids of the War against the Nazis. It retroactively includes former Bulgarians, Rumanians and Hungarians as among those eligible to receive compensation through the Israel Treasury. They were originally excluded because these countries were allied with Germany at the beginning of World War II. But actually, the government spokesman said, they have received compensation on a par with others.

An amendment to the Family Laws (Support) grants needy persons the right to claim support from certain classes of relatives.

The official communique stated:

The Cabinet at its weekly meeting discussed foreign relations problems, based on reviews by the Prime Minister and the Foreign Minister.

A Ministerial Committee was authorized to discuss a draft law to enable local authorities to regulate the breeding of pigs and the sale of pork.

Draft laws were approved to amend the Law of Invalids of the War against the Nazis; to amend the Family Laws (Support); and for Control of Goods and Services.

Mr. A. Givoni (a Deputy Commissioner of Income Tax) was appointed Director of the Yahav Magen (Defence Levy).

The Inter-ministerial Economic Committee during its meeting yesterday continued to discuss the proposed foreign currency budget for 1956-57. The debate is to be concluded at the next meeting.

CHOLERA IN CALCUTTA CLAIMS 914 DEAD

CALCUTTA, Sunday (UP).—Calcutta's five-month-old cholera epidemic felled new victims today, and Government officials reported that the disease killed 914 persons between January 1 and May 15, bringing death to half the 1,985 cases officially reported.

SULHA IN MADABA

A special committee has been formed to arrange for a *sulha* (settlement of a feud) between two rival clans in Madaba, where 12 Christians were killed and many wounded in inter-communal riots recently, "Falastin," the Old City daily, reported yesterday.

Air Raid Siren Practice Today

Siren practice will be held today in many towns between 4 p.m. and 6 p.m.

Sirens will be sounded in three-minute blasts in Jerusalem, Tel Aviv-Jaffa, Haifa and suburbs, Ramat Gan, Givatayim, Bnei Brak, Holon, Bat Yam, Nahariya, Acre, Afula, Beisan, Safed, Tiberias, Natanya, Hadera, Petah Tikva, Herzliya, Kfar Saba, Lydda, Ramle, Rehovot, Gedera, Beersheba and Ashkelon.

In the event of a real air raid, the warning will be a warbling note.

Histadrut Hears Pros, Cons On Kupat Holim Panel System

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — Reforms designed to permit Kupat Holim members to choose their own doctors from a panel of Sick Fund physicians were formally proposed to the Histadrut Executive today by the Chairman of Kupat Holim, Mr. Itzhak Kanev.

Under the new plan, doctors would be paid on the basis of the number of patients they treat, instead of the present monthly salaries.

Also mooted today was a plan for Kupat Holim members to be permitted to visit any general practitioner of their choice and then obtain a refund of the fees from the Sick Fund. This proposal was made on behalf of Mr. Siroka, the Treasurer, who was absent. Mr. Kanev introduced the proposal but expressed his personal opposition.

Basic opposition to the proposed reforms was voiced on behalf of the Kupat Holim physicians by Dr. Lebel. He claimed that the "family doctor" idea would not work, and he objected to any shift in two weeks' time.

The debate was inconclusive and will be resumed at the Executive's next meeting, in two week's time.

The consensus in the discussion was that the present situation was deplorable, and that there should be a personal relationship between doctors and patients.

It was claimed that many Histadrut members did not utilize their Kupat Holim privileges because of the poor facilities. It was also stated that some members of the Histadrut preferred not to join Kupat Holim. The shortage of doctors was said to be one of the main causes of the trouble.

Mr. H. Vishinsky, of the Control Board, pointed out that 100 physicians retired last year while only 50 doctors graduated from the Hebrew University. Mr. Kanev added that X-ray departments had to be closed down in some places due to shortage of medical personnel.

At the suggestion of Mr. R. Bash, the 91-man Executive Committee postponed the election of a Central Committee. Mr. Bash said that Mapai had not chosen its representatives.

Stassen Optimistic On Soviet Army Cuts

WASHINGTON, Sunday (UP). — Mr. Harold E. Stassen, President Eisenhower's disarmament adviser, said over television today that Russia's recent announcement that she will cut her armed forces will make prospects of peace "a few degrees brighter."

He denied there was any difference of opinion between him and Secretary of State Dulles over the effects of Russia's promise to cut the armed services.

Don't say tomorrow . . . It may be too late

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Transport: Egged buses from the Tel Aviv Central Bus Station to the Exhibition grounds and return. "Arie" Taxi Service, Rehov Mikve Yisrael, Tel Aviv, leaving every 15 minutes.

EVER SEEN A SYRIAN BEAR?

Probably not; very few people have, as the breed is almost extinct. But they are doing fine at the JERUSALEM BIBLICAL ZOO

They once roamed freely in this part of the world, as did all sorts of animals who have since left for other climes.

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Social & Personal

Chief Rabbi Yitzhak Nissim, Rishon leZion, yesterday received Mr. J. Rees, adviser on refugee matters to the World Council of Churches.

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Mrs. Gertrude Berg, the American TV and radio star, and her husband, Mr. Lewis Berg, were guests at a reception held by the Women's League for Israel at their Beit Hahalutzot in Jerusalem yesterday.

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Mr. Maurice Samuel will speak on "A Modern View of Some Biblical Personalities", under the joint auspices of the Hebrew University and the B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation, at Hillel House, Talbieh, tonight at 8.30.

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M. Raymond Aron, Professor at the University of Paris, will speak on "La Litterature Engagee" tonight at 6 at the Centre de Culture Francaise, Jerusalem. Mr. Marcel Laforge, French Consul-General, will preside.

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Prof. E. A. Braude, head of the Department of Organic Chemistry at the Imperial College of Science and Technology, London, will deliver the last in a series of four lectures on "Some Recent Developments in Theoretical Organic Chemistry", under the auspices of the Hebrew University, at the Terra Sancta building, Hall 24, tonight at 8.15.

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Prof. J. Schwetz, of the University of Brussels, will lecture on "Human and Animal Bilharzia in Tropical Africa", under the joint auspices of the Hebrew University-Hadassah Medical School and the Israel Medical Association, at the Medical School tonight at 7.45.

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Mr. Roy Kantorowich, the South African town planner who designed Ashkelon, will address the Ashkelon Rotary Club tonight on "Town Planning."

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A special concert of the Jerusalem Chamber Music Society will be given by Rivka Burstein-Arber and Thelma Yellin on June 2, at 8.30 p.m. at Beit Hillel.

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Dr. Y. Ben-Amotz, General Manager of the Shell Chemicals Distributing Co., gave a cocktail party on Friday night for Citrus Congress visitors and local personnel connected with the industry.

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The delegates to the 4th International Congress of Mediterranean Citrus Growers were entertained to lunch yesterday by the Mayor of Rehovot and Mrs. Katz. The catering was arranged by the Accadia Grand Hotel. *(Advt.)*

Nawratzki Gets Development Post

HAIFA, Sunday. — Dr. C. Nawratzki has been appointed coordinator of development plans of the Port Authority, the Railways and the Municipality. He holds the post of economic adviser to the Finance Ministry and is the author of several works on economics, among them "Jewish Colonization in Palestine." It was published in 1914, and was the first comprehensive survey of the country's economic prospects.

Dr. Nawratzki, a resident of Haifa, in whose development he has taken an interest for many years, celebrates his 70th birthday tomorrow.

WIZO FASHION SHOW SUCCESS IN HAIFA

HAIFA, Sunday. — An attentive crowd of women with a sprinkling of men enjoyed 90 entertaining minutes of a fashion show sponsored by Young WIZO at the Zion Hotel this afternoon.

It was a spring symphony of dresses by Lamit and WIZO workshops, shoes by Nathan, handbags and accessories by Levy, and jewellery by WIZO workshops, all in Haifa. Particularly admired were the new dress materials, Orlon, Dacron, and Dacron brocade, a wedding dress of white lace, as well as Israel-made linens and cottons. Appreciative comments were made on the exquisite workmanship of the exhibits and the tasteful Yemenite embroidery on some dresses. Proceeds of the show are to go to the Wizo Girl's Hostel in Jerusalem.

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A meeting will take place at 7 this evening, at the Technion — Room No. 12.

The programme includes two lectures on PLASTIC PAINTS and a coloured film on MONASTRAL BLUE

Polish Press Showing Friendliness to Israel

By FRANCIS OFNER

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — In the wake of some easing-up of restrictions on Jewish life in Russia and the release of Mordechai Oren from a Czechoslovak prison, an improvement in the tone of Poland's Communist press on Israel is now reported.

A feature praising the high standards of education, health and morale pervading Israel's youth was recently published by "Dookola Swiata," Warsaw's principal youth journal. The two-page article is richly illustrated by colour photographs and the issue's cover page shows a cheerful Yemenite newsboy selling "Ma'ariv" in a Tel Aviv street.

Written by Victor Grayewski, a Polish writer who recently visited Israel, it tells of the clean streets of Tel Aviv, the shops full of high-quality goods, and of the glut of oranges of which only the choicest are exported.

Not exclusively complimentary to Israel, the article also points to a substantial unemployment rate and to the underprivileged status of Arab women, although it does not brand the latter a problem peculiar to Israel.

Poland's leading periodical, "Swiat," published an article by its Israel correspondent, Ursula Wasserman, on the Druze community in Israel. This, too, is written in a sympathetic vein.

Visited Israel

A series of friendly articles has also been printed in other Polish publications, by A. Sandauer, a Hebrew-speaking Polish-Jewish author who visited Israel last year.

Observers here who follow the Polish press point out that the newspaper now coolest towards Israel is probably the Yiddish daily, "Folkasstimme." This it is believed, is because the paper still draws mainly on "Kol Ha'am," organ of the Israel Communist Party, as its principal source of information on Israel.

Leaders of the Polish immigrant groups here foreshadow a possibility of a slight lifting by the Warsaw Government of the sluice on the dam almost completely blocking the tide of emigration to Israel. At present, only a fraction of a trickle of Poland's fifty to sixty thousand Jews is being allowed to come here, consisting almost exclusively of persons joining relatives already here.

Rumours to this effect circulating among Warsaw's Jews are seen here against the background of the unusual readiness with which Poland responded to the Kremlin's recent introduction of the anti-Stalin line. Not only were tens of thousands of political prisoners freed, but even the "Armiya Krayova," the underground army commanded by the London Polish Government during World War II, has been rehabilitated in the Polish press. All this may well portend substantial changes from which, it is hoped, Poland's Jewish community may also benefit.

The hopeful signs in Poland coincide with the report that, in line with the "return to Leninism," Moscow's Chief Rabbi announced in the synagogue on the Shavuot holiday that the Soviet Government had permitted the establishment of a Rabbinical Seminary to train young rabbis for Soviet Jewry.

From the point of view of Israel's security, however, these developments, however welcome, do not affect the vital fact that Egyptian officers are being trained in Poland to use Soviet and Czechoslovak arms already in their country. Similarly, the reports of a Polish arms deal with Egypt, although officially denied by both sides, continue to create anxiety in Israel.

Galei Kinneret Closing Down for Summer

TIBERIAS, Sunday. — The Galei Kinneret Hotel will close down on Friday for several months. The management made this decision in view of what they called the poor prospects of tourism to the town this summer.

Last summer, the hotel had a lively season, when many tourists from overseas, among them many Baptist pilgrims, stayed in the town.

The owners of the Galei Kinneret plan to add another wing to the hotel to increase its capacity for the winter season.

THE TEL AVIV Municipality has issued a booklet describing the rules to be observed by persons seeking admission to the Municipal Hospitals.

Gazoz, Soap, Haircut Prices Up Friday

Increases in the prices of carbonated water, *gazoz*, toilet soap and haircuts were approved by the Ministerial Committee at its meeting on Thursday.

The rises are to go into effect on June 1, at the beginning of the three-month Cost-of-Living Index calculation period, and are expected to cause a rise of one point, it was learned in Jerusalem yesterday.

Soda will now cost 25 pruta instead of 20, *gazoz* 45 instead of 40, and toilet soap 110 pruta in place of 100. Barbers will be able to choose from a range of three prices, with a minimum of 550 pruta, depending on their grade.

Where to go

• **Meet The Israeli:** — Tourists invited to meet Israelis at home. Information at Government Tourist Offices Jerusalem, Tel Aviv, Haifa.

JERUSALEM

• **Exhibitions:**— 1) Lithographs by Pablo Picasso. 2) Books by the Printer Maurice Jacobs, Philadelphia. 3) Jewish Painters of the Paris School; 4) Industrial art of the Art Directors Club. Exhibit of the Month: Wooden Shield of Trobland, from the Museum's Samuel Dubiner collection, Bezalel, 9-1, 3-5.

Permanent exhibition at the Department of Antiquities. Temporary: New finds from the excavations at Beit Shearim and Ma'ayan Baruch. 9-1, 3-5.

1) Oil paintings and drawings by M. Bernstein. A. Braunstein and E. Milstein. 2) Selected Arts and Crafts of Jerusalem. 3) Jerusalem Artists Gallery. Artists House. 10-1, 4-7.

Oils, gouaches and drawings by Efim Rosytemberg. Sculptures by David Maikin. Nora Art Gallery, 9 Maimon, 10-1, 3-6.

Conquest of the Desert. Permanent Exhibition. Daily from 10-1, 4-6. On Friday from 10-1 only. The exhibition is closed on Sabbat.

Photos by Bettina Oppeheier, "Tzavta" Club, 35 King George. Open daily from 4-10 p.m.

• **Film Shows:**— Israel Films — Keren Hayesod. 11.30 a.m.

• **Tours:**— Hebrew University conducted tour. New Administration Building. Opposite Terra Sanc a. 10 a.m.

• **Lecture:** — Beeri Club Music Group — Zvi Gitlis, the famous violinist, on "Impressions of an Israeli Violinist abroad." 9 Alharizi, 8.45.

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• **Exhibitions:**— 1) "New Horizons"; 2) From the Museum's Collection. 3) Paintings and drawings by Z. Schreter. Museum, 10-1 and 4-7 weekdays, and 10-1 on Fridays and Saturdays.

• **Film Club:** — Z.O.A. House at 8.30 p.m. — "The Ghost Goes West" with Robert Donat.

• **Theatre:** — Cameri. ("The Merry Matchmaker," Mograbi, 8. (Tickets sold for May 21 are valid for this performance only.)

Vic Oliver and Wanda Viler in a Revue, New Cameri Hall, 7 and 9.30.

Habimah. "A View from the Bridge," 8.

Ohel, "Johny Belinda," 8.

RAMAT GAN

• **Jazz:** — Lionel Hampton and his Orchestra. 7.15 & 9.15. Ziratron.

JAFFA

• **Theatre:** — Do-Re-Mi. "Money, Money, Money," Yaffor.

BEIT DAGON

• **Citrus Exhibition:** — Open 8 a.m. — 12 midnight.

AMIR

• **Theatre:**— Cameri, "The Good Soul of Szechuan," 8.

RAMOT HAGILBOA

• **Theatre:** — Ohel, "Donna Grazia," 8.

EIMAH

• **Theatre:** — Habimah, "Alei Kinor," 8.

KIRYAT BIALIK

• **Lecture:**— Kishon Rotary Club. "Far Eastern Tour" (with slides). Mr. M. Bejarano. At "Ahava" Youth Centre, Kiryat Bialik, 8 p.m.

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Jordanians Demand Jewish Textiles

Jordanians nullify the Arab boycott of Israel by preferring to buy Jewish-made textiles, Mahmoud Seif e-Din Irani wrote in his daily column in the Old City daily "El Jihad" yesterday.

He reported that there is not a piece-goods merchant in Jordan who does not stock woollen textiles bearing the trademarks of Jacob Anzaruth and Btesh Brothers, who are Manchester exporters.

Both Anzaruth and Btesh are well-known Jewish families with relatives in Israel. "Every Jordan merchant knows this but is still forced by his customers to stock these goods," Irani pointed out.

Article on Kibbutz Wins Dutch Prize

By HENRIETTE BOAS

AMSTERDAM, (By Airmail). — With a 25-page paper "The Kibbutz in Israel, Aspects of a Settlement Form in a Present day 'Frontier' Area," Mr. P. Glazenburg has won the 1956 Prize of the Netherlands Geographical Society for the best paper in the Society's Journal during the year 1955 by an author under 35.

After an historical survey of the various factors which led to the coming into being and the development of the *kibbutz*, and a description of its functioning — towards both of which the author has a definitely positive approach — he considers the *kibbutz* as a "frontier" settlement, and compares it with solutions tried at certain stages in the development of the American Middle West — where on the contrary the most outspoken and roughest individualism was encountered — and in the Hungarian Great Plain.

He concludes that the *kibbutz* is "an almost ideal organization to achieve the adjustment of the individual to frontier conditions. The strong interpersonal relations of the collective settlement make for the absence of the difficulties and deviations that are so characteristic of other frontier areas.

"In contrast to the utopias of the socialists and various religious sects the *kibbutzim* are certainly not utopias, and do not originate from a flight from society. On the contrary, service to society has stood in the foreground from the beginning."

The author concludes: "Every one who has the upbuilding of the Jewish National Home at heart can only hope that a solution may be found for the recent trend in which new immigrants turn away from the collective settlements, so that the heroic work of pioneers of the Second Aliya may be continued."

Owen Lattimore To Lecture Here

Prof. Owen Lattimore, the American scholar of Far Eastern affairs, is due to arrive in Israel on Tuesday or Wednesday at the invitation of the Hebrew University. He is to give two lectures next week under the auspices of the University.

Prof. Lattimore served as political adviser to Chiang Kai-shek and as adviser to the State Department on the Far East.

In 1950, Prof. Lattimore was charged by Senator Joseph McCarthy with being "the top Russian espionage agent" in the U.S. After being indicted for perjury before a Senate subcommittee, he was cleared when a Federal Court dismissed the charges.

Court Extends Prison Term for Stabbing

The Supreme Court increased on Friday by more than four times the sentence imposed by the District Court on Mahmud Fedili, 22, of Kfar Tira, for stabbing and seriously injuring his partner after an argument. Upon the appeal of the Assistant State Attorney, Mr. G. Bach, the original sentence of four months in prison was changed to 18 months.

"The District Court judge, in being so lenient, considered the family of the prisoner," Justice Silberg stated. "However, we must also consider the fate of families deprived of their breadwinners by such acts." Justices Landau and Berinson were also on the Bench.

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French Philosopher-Journalist

By SRAYA SHAFIRO

PROFESSOR Raymond Aron divides his time between reading sociology at the Sorbonne and writing on political and economic issues for the daily Presa. "The scientific work is what keeps me going; the journalistic work keeps me amused — and in funds," he says.

His eyes keep smiling. He has a large head and a comparatively small body. One would not hesitate to place him as a Jew. He is a scion of an old Jewish family from Lorraine, but was born in Paris and considers himself as French as anyone.

With the establishment of the State of Israel, he says, every Jew in the Diaspora was given the choice: either to associate himself with the reborn Jewish culture here or to accept the benefits and dangers of the culture of the country in which he was born. His own culture is almost wholly French.

He studied philosophy at the University of Paris, never contemplating anything but a scientific career. When World War II broke out he was 35, teaching the Philosophy of History at the University of Toulouse. It was in London that the young philosopher turned journalist, writing and broadcasting for the Free French.

Pleasing Experience

The experience pleased him. While a book may find its way into a very distinguished and important circle of learned men, it does so slowly; an article in the daily paper, on the other hand, brings forth some immediate reaction. It may be less important than the scientists' outlook, but "well, it's amusing."

"Amusing" is a word Professor Aron employs frequently, both in English and in French. One might think he takes nothing very seriously. A keen observer and thoroughly a scientist in method and attitude, he does not seem to believe that anything really matters very much. Hence, his love for paradoxes, which are striking and ... well, amusing. In his last book, "The Opium of the Intellectuals," he sets out to prove that ideologies are the opium of the intellectuals in the same manner Marx taught that Religion was the opium of the people.

The professor finds his Israel visit "exciting." Here are people who take intellectual discussion seriously and who believe in what they are doing. The combination between the pioneering spirit and the fighter's is no less "exciting."

In a *kibbutz*, he talked to men who had returned from their tour of watch duty. "They spoke of world problems as if they were in Montparnasse or in Boulevard Saint-Germain — only they were quite serious, while the Saint Germain intellectuals are not."

SHLONSKY PRIZE FOR LEAH GOLDBERG

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — Miss Leah Goldberg was last week awarded the first annual Shlonsky Literary Prize of IL1,000 for her book of verse "Lightning at Morn." The prize was established last year by the Workers Library publishing house and the Centre for Progressive Literature. Both are sponsored by Mapam.

HOAD WINS FRENCH TENNIS TITLE

PARIS, Sunday (Reuter). — The Australian, Lewis Hoad, won the men's singles title in the French International Lawn Tennis Championships today, beating Sven Davidson of Sweden by 6-4, 8-6, 6-3.

Miss Althea Gibson of New York beat the holder, Miss Angela Mortimer of Britain, 6-0, 12-10, in the women's final, to become the first Negro player to win one of the world's major tennis titles.

LEA SETS 440-YARD WORLD MARK: 45.8

MODESTO, California, Sunday (UP). — Jim Lea, former University of Southern California track star, smashed the world's record for the 440 yards, clocking 45.8 seconds. He was the first man in history to break the 46-seconds mark held by Herb McKinley of Jamaica. He was running in the California Relays.

WELFARE BILL TO BE TABLED

A draft Welfare Services Law, which will be the basic law governing all welfare services in the State, has been approved by the Ministerial committees concerned and will soon be tabled in the Knesset, it is learned.

Among other things, the bill will require every local authority to maintain a social welfare office and will authorize local authorities to collect from relatives the sums paid to needy persons.

CRABB. — A special death certificate is expected to be issued for Commander Lionel Crabb, the British frogman who disappeared in Portsmouth harbour near a Russian cruiser last month.

THE HAIFA SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

On Thursday, May 31, 1956 at the Peer Hall, Haifa

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ON THE AIR

FIRST PROGRAMME

337, 249, 33.3 & 49.9 M.

News: Hebrew: 7 a.m., 1.30, 7.00, 9.00 & 12.00 p.m. Arabic Programme (including News): 3 a.m. 2.15 & 5.45 p.m.

6.30 a.m. Service. 6.35 Exercises. 6.45 Musical Clock (R). 7.15 Melodies (R). 9.00 Close Down.

12.00 N. "Music at Noon": Renee Lebas. 12.30 "From the Concert Hall": Mendelssohn: Violin Concerto in E-minor, op. 64 (Soloist: J. Heifetz); Saint-Saens: Symphony No. 3 in C-minor, op. 78 (Conductor: C. Munch). 1.45 Light Notes (R). 2.30 Close Down.

4.00 p.m. Oriental Music (R). 4.30 "Be'Ohalei Torah." 4.40 "Intermezzo" with Charlie Kunz. 5.00 Children's Hour. 5.15 Youth Programme. 6.45 Bible Reading. 7.15 Concert by the Kol Yisrael Orchestra. Conductor Heinz Freudenthal; Boieldieu — "The Caliph of Baghdad" — Overture: Lotter: "Uncle Kreutzer"; Foulds: Hebrew Rhapsody. 7.45 A Language Revived. 8.00 "Curtain Up." 9.15 Newsreel. 9.30 Tunes Tell. 10.00 From the treasures of the Aggadah. 10.15 "Chamber Music" played by the "Kol-Israel" Wind Ensemble: Haoach Tel-Oren (Flute), Moshe Robinstein (Oboe), Melvin Keller (Clarinet), Avraham Aharoni (Horn) & Avner Aharon (Bassoon) — Haydn: Divertimento for Flute, Oboe, Clarinet, Bassoon; Rossini: Quartet for Flute, Clarinet, Horn & Bassoon: H. Jacobi: Quintet for Flute, Oboe, Clarinet, Bassoon & Horn; Ibert: "Trois Pieces Breves" for Flute, Oboe, Clarinet Bassoon & Horn. 11.00 Requests. 11.30 "Operetta and Film." 12.10 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME

467, 460, 225, 214, 43.9 & 33.3 M.

English News: 1.45, 10.15 p.m. French News: 2.00 p.m.

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR: 5.20 p.m. Programme for Yemenites. 5.45 Hebrew Lessons for Ulpanim. 6.00 Light Music. 6.30 French. 7.00 Yiddish. 7.30 Ladino. 8.00 Persian. 8.15 News in Easy Hebrew. 8.30 Rumanian. 8.45 Hungarian. 9.00 Close Down.

KOL ZION LAGOLA (33.3 M.): (South Africa Programme): 6.30 News. 6.40 Newsreel. 6.50 Songs by Amitai Ne'eman. 7.00 Yiddish Programme.

11.15 p.m. News. 11.25 Newsreel. 11.35 Songs by Amitai Ne'eman. 11.45 Easy Hebrew Conversation.

ARMY PROGRAMME (44.6, 216, 225 & 228 M.): 6.30 Open-Songs). 7.00 News. 7.10 "Light Music." 7.30 Among the Flags. 8.00 Weekly Symphonic Concert. Works by Mozart. 9.00 News. 9.15 Dance Music. 10.00 Close Down.

B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCASTS. (16.79, 19.42, 16.96, 25.15 M.): 7.30-8.00 p.m. News News Talk. Echoes from the World.

Cinemas

JERUSALEM

At 2.30, 6.30 and 8.30 p.m.

ARNON: Never Say Goodbye. 3rd week.

EDEN: Nimotchka. Today at 10.30 a.m.: Moonfleet.

ORION: Nacha Regules. Matinees: Hansel and Gretel, 3rd week.

EDISON: East of Eden, 4th week.

ORGIL: Personal Affair. Matinees: The Rose of Baghdad.

ORNA: Illegal.

RON: The Divided Heart.

STUDIO: Laughter in Paradise, 6th week.

TEL OR: "La Vie d'un Homme."

ZION HALL: King's Rhapsody. Homme," 2nd week.

TEL AVIV

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ALLENBY: Carmen Jones, 5th week.

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TAMAR: Le Feu dans la Peau, 4th week. Also Matinees, continuous performance from 9.45 a.m.

YARON: The Bridges at Toko-Ri.

HAIFA

MAY: "Pecato che sia una Canaglia."

ORLY: Le Salaire de la Peur."

ARMON: Indiscretion of an American Wife.

EN DOR: "Ah Babe ei los 40 Veleurs."

MORIAH: Betrayed.

ORION: Innocents in Paris.

ATZMON: Love Me or Leave Me.

PEER: "Les Amants du Tage," 2nd week.

GAL OR: He walked by Night. Matinees: West with the Women.

AMPHITHEATRE: Oasis.

ORAH: Not As A Stranger, 3rd week.

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Today's Postbag

THE WEATHER

FORECAST: Fair after dispersal of morning cloud.

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Tiberias	29	20	34	31
Haifa Port	62	21	26	25
Natanya	70	18	28	25
Tel Aviv Kirya	62	16	27	25
Tel Aviv Port	70	20	26	24
Lydda Airport	58	15	30	27
Jerusalem	36	13	25	24
Beersheba	26	15	31	29
Sdom	14	32	39	37
Eilat	14	32	39	37

*A) Humidity at 8 p.m. B) Minimum temp. C) Maximum yesterday D) Maximum temp. expected today.

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ARRIVALS

Dr. P. Shinnar, head of the Israel Purchasing Mission in West Germany and Director of the Shilumim Corp., for consultations on the financing of oil purchases from Great Britain with Reparations funds; Mr. Martin Panner, outgoing Director of the Israel Development Bond Office in Europe, for a brief visit, prior to going to New York to take up his new post as National Director of Public Relations in the Bond Drive.

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SOME OF the locusts in the Tse'elim and Hatserim areas have grown wings. The Plant Protection Department of the Ministry of Agriculture has been spraying the swarms with Lindane for the past 48 hours. Small groups of locusts have penetrated Kibbutz Revivim's vineyards, but the damage is slight thus far.

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THE DIRECTORS of Barclays Bank D.C.O., have announced an interim dividend of four per cent, payable June 15, income tax eight shillings and sixpence.

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ARKIA INLAND Airlines Ltd. inaugurated their twice daily flights to Eilat on Saturday.

Plaque Unveiled For U.K. Journalist

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A memorial plaque honouring Robert Clive Stern, a journalist who was murdered by Arab fire in Jerusalem in December, 1947, was unveiled yesterday in the Jerusalem Biblical Zoo.

Stern, who was a frequent contributor to *The Jerusalem Post* (then *The Palestine Post*), wrote his last leader for the paper on the day he was killed. It ended with these words:

"One of the most charming as well as practical customs in this country is that of planting trees in the name of those, dead or living, whom it is desired to honour. For our part, if the day should ever come when our friends should wish to pay a similar tribute to us, we would ask nothing better than a gift to the Jerusalem Zoo in our memory."

In line with this stated wish, which also became his will, the Jerusalem Journalists Association and the Management of the Zoo made arrangements to name in his memory a small fenced-in garden containing two graceful white swans.

Friends Gather

A small group of friends gathered at the Zoo yesterday to hear Mr. Beri Cohalnik, Chairman of the Jerusalem Journalists Association, and Dr. Aharon Shulov, Director of the Zoo, speak of the deceased.

Stern was 43 when he was killed. Educated in England, he worked for some time on the "Manchester Guardian" and later was sent to Moscow to join the Press Office of the British Embassy. In 1946, he came to this country and joined the staff of this paper. Later, he accepted employment with the Public Information Office. He continued to contribute regularly to this paper, devoting much of his writings to advancing the cause of the Zoo.

Because of the tense situation reigning at the time of his death, his coffin was taken in an armoured car under guard to the Mt. of Olives for burial. Despite this precaution, the mourners served as a target for Arab fire. They took cover by jumping into open graves or sheltering behind gravestones. After the funeral, the British officer in charge ordered "covering fire" opened in the direction of the Old City to enable the mourners to return safely to the city.

1,000 Immigrants Come in 3 Ships

Jerusalem Post Bureau

HAIFA, Sunday.—Three ships this morning brought 1,119 immigrants, 24 *halutzim*, and a group of young people who have come to work in frontier settlements during the present emergency for a year of voluntary service.

The passengers came from 14 different countries. Of the newcomers, the majority, 1,049, were from Morocco in the s.s. Artza and Negbah. Most of them were sent to development areas in the south and north; 61 joined *kibbutzim* and 81 are joining relatives.

The Negbah also brought 38 immigrants, most of them elderly people, from Eastern Europe, including the U.S.S.R. and Poland; six from Western Europe and 24 *halutzim* from Chile and Brazil, who are joining Kibbutz Revivim in the Negev and other settlements.

The Negbah also brought young people from South America who volunteered to work in frontier settlements for a year. They will spend the time at Kibbutz Mefalsim in the Negev, but will first take a two-week course in Hebrew and geography in Jerusalem.

Rumanian Immigrants

The freighter, s.s. Kishon, brought five immigrants, including four women, from Rumania. They were the first immigrants from that country in some months. All of them are elderly and have relatives here. One of the newcomers, Mrs. Rahel Felix, is a professional psychologist.

The newcomers reported that since Stalin's "second death", the situation of the Jews in Rumania had improved slightly. There was much talk of the resumption of emigration to Israel, and many Jews, including some who had lately returned from Israel, would like to come back.

Members of the Kishon crew said that they were struck by the extremely polite treatment they enjoyed while in Constanza port. They had brought a cargo of rope, antibiotics and bananas from Israel. On the return journey, they had oil cakes from Turkey.

Dr. Nahum Goldmann, President of the Zionist Organization, visited the Port to see the immigrants disembark. He was accompanied by Prof. Benjamin Mazar, President of the Hebrew University.

C'ttee Recommends Large Spinning Mills

The establishment of spinning mills with not less than 10,000 spindles was the chief recommendation included in the interim report of the Subcommittee on Cotton Manufacture till 1962, submitted yesterday to the Interministerial Committee on Industrial Planning. The subcommittee expressed its opinion that smaller units were inefficient.

The report urged the setting up of special textile branches in the Productivity Institute, the Technion and the Standards Institute as an *a priori* condition to developing the industry to keep pace with the expanding sources of locally grown cotton.

The Interministerial Committee charged the subcommittee to complete its report, with the instructions that its recommendations emphasize the eventual export of finished goods rather than the sale of surplus raw cotton. The chairman of the subcommittee is Mr. Yosef Aml. The Interministerial Committee was presided over by the Minister of Commerce and Industry, Mr. Pinhas Sapir.

SUSPECT IN P.E.C. MURDERS RELEASED

ACRE, Sunday. — Rashid Wotfa, 27, of Kafr el Judeida, east of Acre, who was arrested two months ago together with four other citizens of Acre as a suspect in the murder of four employees of the Palestine Electric Corporation in 1948, was released by the Magistrate here today. The other suspects were released 10 days ago. There will be no criminal proceedings against them. It is believed that extremist Arabs from Acre have intimidated all witnesses who were to testify against the accused.

DRAWINGS ON WALLS OF REHAVIA TOMB

MK Warns Against Discrimination

"If the differences in the various education levels are not removed in the next generation, there will be created in Israel a clearly distinguished group which will direct and do the more responsible and complicated jobs, and another, of a different community, of hewers of wood and drawers of water," Mr. Shlomo Hillel, M.K., said at the conclusion of the "Round Table" discussion on the subject "Is There Community Discrimination in Israel?" on Kol Yisrael yesterday evening.

"The question will not automatically be solved in the next generation, as we like to tell ourselves," he added. "It will be solved only if we make a real effort."

The participants in the discussion were, apart from Mr. Hillel, Mr. Shlomo Ginossar, former Israel Minister to Italy; Mr. Aharon Asa, a law student at the Hebrew University; Mr. Eliezer Livneh, editor of "B'terem"; and Mr. Israel Yeshiayahu, Deputy Speaker of the Knesset.

Messrs. Hillel and Livneh answered affirmatively to the question "Is there discrimination?" while Messrs. Ginossar and Asa took a negative stand. Mr. Yeshiayahu held that the problem is based on the fear, whether justified or not, of discrimination.

All the participants agreed that there should be "discrimination" in favour of members of the Eastern communities in education, especially vocational training, and that in distribution of work discrimination does not exist.

BUS FIRMS SAY CARMEL IS WRONG

TEL AVIV Sunday. — Israel's bus cooperatives issued a statement tonight disputing the estimates by the Minister of Transport which said that the rises in operating costs had not exceeded 5 per cent.

The transport operators, who have claimed a 16 per cent increase in fares, argued today that the new Histadrut wage scales alone pushed operating costs up 8 per cent.

Another meeting between the Minister, Mr. Moshe Carmel, and representatives of Egged, Dan and Hamekasher companies will be held this week.

Excavated Tombs Shed Light On Israel's Ancient History

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Tombs spanning thousands of years of this country's history have been excavated in different parts of Israel during the past four months. Mr. S. Yeivin, head of the Government's Department of Antiquities, told a Press conference in Jerusalem yesterday that the burial places range from pre-historic days to the period of the Hasmoneans. Some of them were accidentally discovered during construction and agricultural work.

A noble Jerusalem family of the Hasmonean period (1st century B.C.E.) probably owned the latest of these tombs, uncovered four months ago in Jerusalem's Rehavia quarter. Evidence indicates that the family had an interest in naval matters.

A charcoal drawing on one wall of the entrance hall (see picture) depicts a war galley, its helmeted captain standing on the forecastle, in pursuit of a merchant ship. A second war galley, which may have acted as escort to the merchant vessel, precedes it and is also in flight. A fragment of a fishing net was found in one of the inner burial chambers.

Name "Jason" Found

Unlike similar constructions, the entrance hall has only one supporting pillar instead of two. The name "Jason" has been deciphered from the faded Aramaic inscriptions in the hall. The construction was robbed and partly destroyed by earthquake at the turn of the millennium and came into use again in the early part of the first century C.E.

The observant eye of a tractor driver in Kibbutz Ginossar (on Lake Kinneret) who spotted several broken jars while turning up the fields, led to the discovery of little-known burial customs during the time of the Patriarchs (the Hyksos period, c. 1750-1580 B.C.E.).

Two of the tombs are made up of three strata (not necessarily of different periods) with the upper layer containing only skulls, apparently severed from their bodies. A large heap of hand and leg bones comprised the bottom layer of one tomb.

Among six painted vessels of the Hyksos period found, was a small white jug on which the artist had painted palm branches, two deer and a bird — the first Hyksos jug of this kind to be found.

Ancient Boundaries

Geologists may find important evidence on the ancient boundaries of Lake Hula at the site of Eynan (Ein Malaha) in Eastern Galilee, Mr. Yeivin said. In the second season of excavations under M. Jean Perrot, tools were found marking the transition between the Mesolithic and Palaeolithic of pre-historic days. The upper layers of the seven strata contain eight skeletons of the Mesolithic period with the knees drawn up to the chin, a type of Mesolithic burial having no known parallel in the Middle East. A lower layer contains Palaeolithic remains and a middle strata has remnants of both periods.

Multiple burial seems to be indicated by the profusion of bones at the bottom of a plastered oval pit. A hearth nearby filled with ashes may point to sacrifices brought to the spirits of the dead.

At Khirbet Sheikh Ali, just south of Lake Kinneret, this season's finds lead to the hope that the full transition has been uncovered from the Neolithic to the beginnings of Israelite culture.

Most of the excavations were carried out with a small budget and with a staff of two or three. Mr. Yeivin said. In smaller digs, remains of three Byzantine churches (5th, 6th and 7th centuries C.E.) were found in Hatsor, in the south, in Otsem, east of Ashkelon, and in Sde Nahum, in the Jezreel Valley.

130 Workers Employed

Next month excavations will begin in the Philistine site of Tel Gat, on the Beit Govrin-Ashkelon road. The Ministry of Labour will employ some 130 workers a day in the dig.

The Land of the Bible exhibition, which has been touring the U.S. and Europe during the past three years, will be put on view in Jerusalem in August or September, Mr. Yeivin reported. While praising the popular interest in archaeology in Israel, Mr. Yeivin called on the public not to deface or remove objects from archaeological sites.

Water Shortage Ending Tonight

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The water shortage will continue to be felt in Jerusalem this morning and afternoon, but is expected to end by evening.

Because of a technical breakdown on Friday, water stopped flowing to the capital until noon yesterday. At that time, after appropriate repairs had been made, the supply was resumed.

However, water could not be sent to all parts of the city simultaneously and a system of "rationing" was instituted.

Wood Being Planted Today Honouring Spanish Physician

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — A wood to honour the memory of the Spanish physician who "discovered" the Sephardi Jewish community 50 years ago, will be planted in the Lachish area tomorrow. The son of Dr. Angel Pulido Fernandez has come to attend the ceremony on the invitation of the Government.

Dr. Pulido Jr. is now himself a noted physician in Madrid. A distinguished-looking man, dressed in black and wearing a rimless pincenez, his grey hair neatly combed back, his natural vitality is such that one would hardly believe he is 78.

He speaks of his father with veneration. Ten years ago he published a book describing the late Dr. Pulido's colourful life as practising physician and active politician. Dr. Pulido Sr. was a Republican and a supporter of Emilio Castelar who came to the fore after the first Spanish revolution in 1873. The young Dr. Pulido — he was hardly 21 at that time — belonged to the group of fiery *intelligentsia* who saw in the Republic a panacea for all Spain's ills.

After the re-establishment of the Monarchy, Dr. Pulido stantinople, the son (who at that time were called the "Possibilista," and later gained prominence in the political life of Spain as a member of the Cortes. At one time he presided over the Upper Chamber.

Channel Encounter

Dr. Pulido's encounter with the Jews was due to chance. On a pleasure voyage on the Danube from Vienna to Constantinopole, the son (who at that time was studying medicine at the University of Vienna) introduced his father to a Sephardi Jew of his acquaintance, who was on the same ship. Dr. Pulido Sr. had a long talk with Mr. Bejarano and was entranced to hear of people, who, though driven from Spain so many years ago, still spoke a Spanish dialect and retained Spanish passports. He later applied himself to research, and in 1905 produced a volume of 650 pages entitled "Espanoles sin Patria" (Spaniards without a fatherland).

His son tells an anecdote about his father's "conversion." "When we set out from Vienna, my father remarked that the water of the famous Blue Danube was muddy. But soon after the conversation with Mr. Bejarano he exclaimed: "But look, the water is blue indeed!" — My father did not know that, according to the legend, only young men in love see that the Danube is blue."

When Dr. Pulido Jr. received an invitation to come to Israel to inaugurate the planting of a wood in his father's honour, his first reaction was to reject it because of bad health. At night he had a vision of his father who urged him to go to the land which the old man would have liked so much to visit himself. In the morning, he sent a cable saying that he had changed his mind.

Dr. Pulido Jr. says General Franco had told him that he was "sympathetic" towards the Sephardi Jews. This was confirmed to Dr. Pulido by the Minister for Foreign Affairs whom he saw before leaving for Israel. Count de Molyalde, the Mayor of Madrid, who spoke at the ceremony unveiling a monument to Dr. Pulido Fernandez, two years ago, also stressed that he had saved many Sephardi Jews when he served as Franco's envoy in Hitler's Berlin.

The planting ceremony of the Pulido Grove, in honour of the late Spanish Senator Angel Pulido, to take place tomorrow at Haruvit, in the Lachish area, will begin at noon, and not at 11 o'clock, as originally announced.

Buses will leave Jerusalem from the Jewish Agency Building at 10 o'clock and in Tel Aviv from the J.N.F. Building at 11 o'clock.

Dr. Pulido was received yesterday by Chief Rabbi Nissim.

Population Grew By 4% Last Year

The population of Israel increased by 4 per cent in 1955, according to figures released yesterday by the Central Bureau of Statistics, which showed that the number of Israelis increased last year by 71,000 to stand at 1,789,075.

The increase was mainly in small cities and towns, such as Beersheba, Ramat Gan, Migdal Ashkelon, and not in the three large cities or *kibbutzim*. For example, the population of Beersheba increased by 26 per cent in 1955, while the average increase in the large cities was only 1.6 per cent and 2.2 in the *kibbutzim*.

The population was still concentrated in large towns, and the three main cities where 67 per cent of all Israelis made their homes, as compared with 17 per cent in villages with a population of 2,000 to 10,000, and 16 per cent in settlements with less than 2,000 persons.

Man Shot Dead In Cafe

ASHKELON, Sunday. — Abraham Yona, 38, a watchman of the local ma'bara, this afternoon was reported to have entered the Cafe Turki in Rehov Herzl, shot his brother-in-law to death and wounded his wife. He was detained.

The dead man was George Mudrunalu, 28, of the Gimmel ma'bara. The wife, Chahun Yona, 35, was taken to Kaplan Hospital.

U.K. Ballet Corps Coming Friday

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — London's Festival Ballet of 50 dancers is expected to arrive in this country next Friday. Supported by 50 local musicians, the corps will give its Israel gala performance at the Habimah Theatre on Saturday night.

The Festival Ballet will stay until June 26, Mr. W. H. Robert, the impresario, told the Press today. It will give 17 performances at the Habimah Theatre during a two-week stay in Tel Aviv, and will go on to Jerusalem and Haifa for three days in each city. It will also give two performances at *kibbutzim*, and the proceeds of one will be donated to various charities.

The company will perform mainly classical ballet, including works by Tchaikowsky, Chopin, Borodin, and Ravel.

Tickets for the first week were sold out on May 22, when four box offices opened without prior notice to the public.

Prices for the gala performance ranged from IL5 to IL20 and for other evenings, IL4.900 to IL12.800. Soldiers were able to buy their tickets cheaply. Mr. Robert said that the visit would cost IL190,000, and the estimated income would just about cover the outlay.

London's Festival Ballet was formed by Alicia Markova and Anton Dolin, in 1949.

Mr. R. E. Gamble, of the British Embassy, said that the British ballet can compare with any in the world, and that there is a remarkable increase in interest in ballet in Britain, due largely to television.

Vic Oliver And Partner Arrive

LYDDA AIRPORT, Sunday. — Vic Oliver, British comedian and musician, and Vanda Vale, 19-year-old red-haired dancer and partner in his shows, arrived here this morning, direct from London. The pair will star in a Chamber Theatre revue, and will stay in the country for 10 days. Their *premiere* performance is tomorrow night at the New Chamber Theatre.

At a Press conference at the Dan Hotel shortly after their arrival, Vic Oliver admitted that he was the protagonist of the "corny" joke. He would have some stories to tell that he felt would interest his audience here. He reminded his listeners that he was once the son-in-law of Sir Winston Churchill.

He said that he felt very welcome from the moment he stepped on the El Al plane in London, where the hostess told him that he must learn to say "Shalom."

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Ministry of Finance Dismisses 281 Officials

The Ministry of Finance has dismissed 281 administrative officials in the first four months of 1956 as part of its own money-saving drive, the Ministry spokesman announced yesterday. The dismissed workers included both permanent and temporary employees. This reduces the Ministry's staff to 5,589 clerks.

The Ministry's permanent staff totalled 4,944 on May 1, compared with 5,178 allowed under the 1956/57 budget.

Most of the dismissals were made in the Income Tax Collection and Compulsory Loan Divisions.

Savings of up to 20 per cent were also achieved in transportation expenses, the spokesman added.

Judges, Lawyers Build Fortifications

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — The courts were empty today when about 300 judges and lawyers left for border settlements at 6 o'clock this morning for fortification work. Dozens of trials scheduled for today were postponed to a later date.

The 23rd group of Jerusalemites left yesterday for fortification work in border settlements.

The group included personnel of the Hebrew University, the Foreign Ministry, and the Bank of Israel.

This is the last group to be sent to border settlements. Subsequent parties will be given work in or near the capital. Altogether, 5,500 Jerusalemites have donated 24,000 work days in border settlements.

Among the groups digging fortifications within the city, is one of judges and lawyers who started their three-day tour of duty yesterday. As a result, the Jerusalem Magistrate and District Courts, as well as the Supreme Court, were virtually deserted.

Driver Admits Part In Road Death

A driver for the Yael cooperative yesterday surrendered to the Jerusalem police and admitted being responsible for the traffic accident on Thursday at Hartuv in the Jerusalem Corridor in which Moshe Tavlin, 27, of Ra'anana, was killed.

The driver, Avraham Cohen, 34, of Tel Aviv, was released on bond posted by himself and the cooperative.

Jerusalem police report that they are charging him with stopping his lorry suddenly, without giving proper signals, thus causing Tavlin to crash his lorry into the back of Cohen's lorry. The cab of Tavlin's lorry was completely smashed.

Cohen is also being charged with abandoning Tavlin without trying to help him, and with failing to notify the police of the accident without delay. *(Itim)*

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USOM Lends Expert To Potash Works

BEERSHEBA, Sunday. — An expert on potash production, Mr. J. Howard Higenbotham, has been made available by U.S. Operations Mission to advise the Dead Sea Works during the "breaking-in" of their new plant. Mr. Higenbotham, who assisted in the planning and construction of the plant last year, will stay at Sdom for several months.

In reply to criticism in the Press of the slow progress recorded by the Dead Sea Works, a Ministry of Development spokesman said that there are still a number of bottlenecks to be eliminated in the new plant before anything approaching an optimum production of 6,000 tons a month can be achieved. The new machinery was put into operation in March and it should have at least six months to complete its trial runs.

Another contributing factor to the slow rise was the unseasonably cold spring, which retarded evaporation in the pans, it was learned.

Meantime, production has fluctuated between 3,200 and 2,900 tons a month. With the beginning of a new carnalite "harvest" in June, the figures should stay consistently above 3,000 tons, the spokesman said.

NEW SENIOR JORDAN M.A.C. DELEGATE

Col. Mohammed Sa'adi of the Arab Legion has been appointed the senior Jordan delegate to the Mixed Armistice Commission, replacing Dr. Nuseibeh who resigned on April 1, according to the Old City daily, "Falastin," yesterday.

Cables in Brief

PAKISTANI. — Sir Zafrullah Khan, Pakistani ex-Foreign Minister and now member of the International Court in The Hague, has married Miss Bushri Rabani, a beautiful 21-year-old Palestinian Arab refugee living in Damascus. Sir Zafrullah, who met her a month ago in the Syrian capital while on his way from Karachi to The Hague, is married and is the father of several children.

FIRE. — Damage estimated at L$lm. (£120,000) was caused when a fire gutted the Syrian Hama sugar refinery and nearby cotton seed stores on Saturday night. More than 3,000 tons of cottan seed were completely destroyed.

BONNEFOUS. — M. Georges Bonnefous, a former Cabinet Minister and the man mainly responsible for starting France's national lottery, died on Saturday night, aged 58. It was also at his suggestion that France instituted the Croix de Guerre as an award for valour during the 1914-1918 war.

PROSTITUTION. — The Iraqi Parliament has passed a draft bill banning prostitution. Prostitutes will be liable to a maximum of one year in prison and deprivation of civil and political rights for 10 years.

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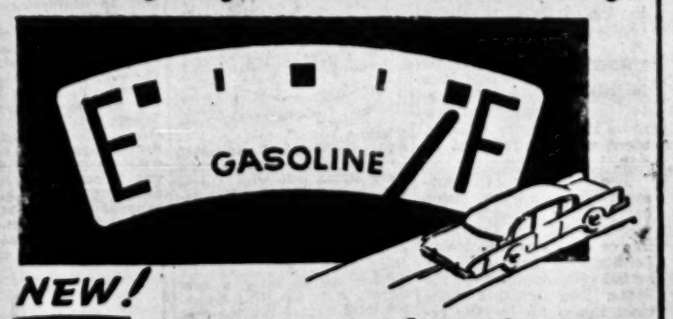

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With deep sorrow we announce the sudden death of our dear father

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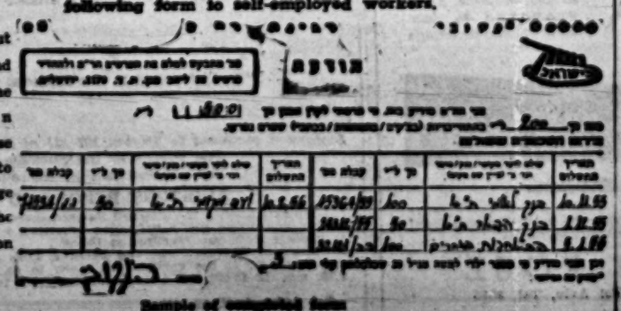

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SECURITY COUNCIL AGAIN

WHEN the Security Council meets tomorrow to discuss the report of its Secretary-General on his recent visit to the Middle East, it will be faced with a complication which was gratuitous and could easily have been avoided.

The draft resolution presented by Britain is, it is understood, couched in terms which could, without much difficulty, have commanded previous agreement between the Four Powers. Unfortunately the Western powers did not want this to happen. It would have been easy enough to understand their hesitations a few years ago, when the Soviet Union often abstained and usually did not speak in the Security Council on matters affecting Israel and the Arabs. So the West might then have felt that it would be superogatory to draw Russia into a field of interest which she did not seem anxious to explore. But today the Soviet Union has both feet firmly and irrevocably planted in the Middle East.

The supreme interest of all the powers in the area must be to try to make progress towards peace. When there was a chance of an agreed policy being put forward, even on a resolution which might not prove — by advance accounts — to have too much meat in it; it was a disservice to peace that it was not taken. In recent weeks, the Russians have produced a number of declarations which would forecast some measure of agreement with the Western powers on this area, and it is no secret that many of the Russian ideas were incorporated in the joint declaration on the Middle East recently issued by the Soviets and Britain from London.

It now remains to be seen what course the discussion will take. It is hoped that the Security Council will not be content with a resolution which envisages the continuation of seeking relief of tension through the development of palliatives. What is needed is a new approach; the development of some imaginative political thinking and action which will carry matters even beyond the full implementation of the Armistice Agreements. These, it will be remembered, were not intended to be the maximum which could be expected, but only a temporary expedient pending the move onwards towards a real peace between the contracting parties.

URUGUAY MINISTER

THERE will be a particularly warm welcome in the hearts of Israel citizens for Dr. Pedro Maria Di Lorenzo, the Minister from Uruguay, when he presents his letter of appointment to the President today.

The Uruguay Government has always been particularly friendly towards Israel, and this feeling of sympathy and understanding precedes the actual establishment of the State. The positive attitude taken up by the representative of that country, Dr. Enrico Fabregat, in connection with the United Nations Special Committee on Palestine, will be remembered. In the various situations which have come up in the United Nations since then, the firm friendship for Israel has been maintained. The strong support Israel has enjoyed from Uruguay is not surprising as Uruguay is the most democratic of the Latin and South American republics. Moreover, the support shown then was particularly welcome as it came at a time when the isolation of Israel was at its peak and it was not the most convenient thing for any country to show us such manifest support.

The Uruguayan Minister will open his Legation in the capital, thereby joining the select circle of diplomatic missions who take a logical and realistic attitude towards Jerusalem.

INTEGRATING SOCIAL WELFARE SERVICES—III

Charity Opens Door to Abuse

By GERDA LUFT

"DO you come from America?" ask the children in every classroom of the orphanage on Jerusalem's Jaffa Road. They are used to visitors from overseas, people who have contributed for years to the upkeep of the institution and come to see what they have helped to create with their money. Visitors from Jerusalem or Tel Aviv look out of place. The orphanage, founded in 1902, before Zionist colonisation started in earnest, has gone way outside the mainstream of life during five decades.

Like most of the social welfare institutions of the "Old Yishuv," the orphanage was founded outside what were then the city's boundaries. The first living quarters were laid out in grand style outside the walls of the Old City by Sir Moses Montefiore. So were the old "Kollelim" in and near the Meah Shearim quarter, built by the various Jewish communities of Eastern Europe for those of their people who went to the Holy Land to pray and to die. Now they are just old quarters in the new city. Their splendour is gone: neglect and overcrowding have made slums out of them. But the large hospital buildings are still landmarks in Jerusalem and play an important part in the health services of the community.

Plethora of Agencies

It is not easy to draw up a list of the various social agencies, societies and institutions that look after the needs of the "New Yishuv," but it can be done. It is completely impossible to do the same for the "Old Yishuv." During the period of rigid food-rationing and currency controls, the police once tried to compile a list of the various agencies which received parcels and contributions from abroad. Dozens upon dozens were included before the police gave up in despair.

The "Old Yishuv" takes in many excellent institutions which are being managed properly and with the sole end of serving the needy. But it cannot be denied that in more than half a century of soliciting money from abroad some people and some institutions have acquired the habit of looking after their own interests with the help of gifts from abroad that should have gone into the community chest.

One tale, which goes back to the Mandate, tells of an old Jerusalem Jew who used to take his donkey on regular trips to the post office on Jaffa Road. On the way in, the beast was loaded with letters of solicitation; on the way out, with the checks that rolled in. Countless small bequests and a good number of large legacies that were made for charitable purposes are being disposed of to this day as if they were the administrator's own property.

Never Got to End

Under Henrietta Szold, the Social Welfare Department of the Va'ad Leumi tried to draw a line between worthy and unworthy institutions and to bring some order into the scramble for welfare funds from the U.S. It tried to serve as a sort of clearing-house for American donors by investigating Jerusalem institutions and posting information to the "Federated Council" in the U.S. Nothing more was done since then.

Under the Mandate the Va'ad Lumi's Department of Social Welfare investigated such activities and its findings resulted in a report in which we read:

"Social welfare institutions should meet the following requirements: that the aim of the institution should be legal and adhered to; that the management should be honest and not encroach on the preserves of other institutions already existing for the same purpose; that all property should be registered in the name of the institution and not in the names of members of the management or the board (a good deal of public property was lost to the public in Jerusalem); that administrative control should be in the hands of a Board elected at a general meeting of the contributors or the trustees; that the books of the institution should be open to the scrutiny of the public, along with financial reports that have been examined by accountants."

Many institutions, the report goes on, "are essential to the welfare of the community. But there are people who exploit the attraction of the Holy Land for their own interests, send emissaries abroad and open there expensive propaganda offices that eat up much of the total income... There are small institutions of very little value and fictitious institutions which serve private purposes."

That was in 1946. People in the know assert that the position has not changed much to this day, and that alongside important and honest institutions there are some which are nothing but letterheads and some which serve public and private interests at the same time.

This is the third of five articles. The first two appeared on May 25 and 27.

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Africans' Champion at British Colonial Office

By COLIN LEGUM

LONDON (OFNS). — CHANGES in two of the three highest posts in the Colonial Office announced this month have caused considerable speculation in Whitehall.

Sir John Macpherson, formerly Governor-General of Nigeria, and one-time Chief Secretary in Palestine, became Permanent Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies in place of Sir Thomas Lloyd, who is retiring; and Sir John Martin, an Assistant Under-Secretary in the Colonial Office, became Deputy Under-Secretary in place of Sir Charles Jeffries, who is also retiring.

Governor-General

It is unusual to find a Ministry changing two of its top officials at the same time, but it is even more surprising to give the highest post in the Colonial Office to a former Governor-General. Normal practice is to promote officials from within the Office, and it is believed that there has been only one previous departure from tradition.

Sir John Macpherson served brilliantly as Governor-General of Nigeria, but if Sir John were to be put in charge of the Colonial Office administration, why, it is asked, was he appointed only a few months ago to represent Britain at the United Nations as a colonial adviser — a position that again falls vacant?

Cohen Up?

Clearly somebody must have had second thoughts. Sir John is now 58. By ordinary standards he would be retiring in two years, although there is a service regulation by which his tenure of office might be extended until he is 60.

One possible explanation is that the Government may have in mind another senior official who is not at present available for the appointment. This would point to Sir Andrew Cohen, the Governor of Uganda. Sir Andrew was formerly an Assistant Under-Secretary at the Colonial Office, and had he not stepped out of line to become a Governor he would have been the obvious choice to succeed Sir Thomas Lloyd as Permanent Under-Secretary. But Sir Andrew's tenure of Governor runs until January, 1957. It may be, therefore, that Sir John is only keeping the seat warm for Sir Andrew.

Progressive Liberal

Sir John, however, is no mere supernumerary. Young for his age, full of drive and restless energy, he is one of the champions of African independence. Old-fashioned imperialism has played no part in his long colonial career. He demonstrated this by his skill in preparing the way for Nigerian independence. He is completely attuned to the spirit of African nationalism, a force he understands and respects. His tenure of office, brief as it may be, could also be impressive. By temperament he is a stormy petrel: a man who rejoices in the expanding frontiers of the new British Commonwealth.

The other new senior appointment, Sir John Martin, is of quite another complexion. He is more phlegmatic, more solid, and has had no practical experience in Africa. His special interests are the Far East and the Middle East. In recent months, he has been closely associated with the Colonial Secretary, Mr. Alan Lennox-Boyd, in handling the Cyprus negotiations. He is a gifted negotiator and for many years he was a warm favourite of his former chief, Sir Winston Churchill, whom he served as private secretary throughout World War II.

At the Cinema

"KING'S Rhapsody" (Zion, J'lem) is a Graustark romanza, conceived as a summer theatre operetta, except that in summer theatres people sing their songs themselves and do not have them poorly synchronized.

Errol Flynn's Prince Charming is overweight and overage. Ann Neagle was far better as the governess of the King of Siam than she is as the mistress of the King of Lauretania. The only fact worth mentioning about Patricia Wymore is that for skiing she wears a purple petticoat.

In covering the Haifa Exhibition, the unavoidable long sequences of commercials are less tedious in the Carmel than in the Geva version.

Grand Old Film

SEEING "Ninotchka" (Eden, J'lem) again is like meeting a teenage sweetheart who miraculously hasn't grown older at all. The combination of Greta Garbo, suave Melvyn Douglas and Ernst Lubitsch is one that cannot be surpassed. One wonders whether, aside from technical innovations, the movie industry has made any real progress during the last decades. Old timers will also be happy to see once more the mustachioed face of the unforgotten Felix Bressart. T.R.F.M.

PATIENCE REWARDED

By EPHRAIM KISHON

NOW that the flow of immigrants has increased, I suddenly feel that I am deeply interested in the problems of immigration. That is why I agreed to read my newly arrived, but quickly wilting, cousin's diary, excerpts from which I quote here as proof that the pioneering spirit of olden days is still burning brightly:

Tel Aviv, Nov. 17, 1955.—Today it is two months since we moved for a few weeks into our dear Eizik's flat, but sometimes I think he is no longer too happy about us. Yesterday, for instance, he again dropped one of his veiled hints: "You are quite mistaken," he said, "if you think I won't throw you out of my flat one of these days." I won't let him bully me. Tomorrow I shall buy a *shikun*, and within two months get rid of this disgusting fellow.

Nov. 27.—They said that I am not entitled to a *shikun* as I do not live in a *ma'bara*, but then I proved that I was an *askan* (what's that?) and that took care of everything. They promised to notify me within three days of the date when I could move in.

Jan. 25.—Today I went to the *shikun* department and asked why they had not yet notified me. The official took my particulars, promised to look into the matter and notify me. Eizik barricaded our door, but we climbed in through the window.

Feb. 18.—Today I protested to the official who should have found out why I had not been notified. He informed me that I was not entitled to a *shikun*, having received one back in December, 1952, in Kfar Shmama (Northern Negev), and he advised me to bring a certificate from the Kfar Shmama local council proving that I do not live there.

Feb. 20.—Went down to Kfar Shmama, but could not locate the local council, as the village was just being erected. Returned to official, who advised me to wait until the village is completed, when there will be a local council and a certificate. Eizik had iron bars installed at our window, but we sawed through them.

Mar. 3.—Went up to my official and asked how Kfar Shmama construction was progressing. While we were chatting, he took out my file and suddenly realized that it was not mine at all. He took out my particulars again and informed me that being an *askan* (?), I was not entitled to a *shikun*. I kicked up a row and he threw me out of the office, saying that he did not want to see me ever again. The fool.

Completely dejected, I was just leaving, when a miracle happened. Seeing the state I was in, a well-dressed, elderly gentlemen stopped me and asked what was the matter. I told him my tale of woe and he introduced himself as a high Jewish Agency official. He then contacted my official and energetically dictated a few lines to the *shikun* department.

Then I went back to the official and handed him the letter he himself had written.

Mar. 27.—Today, an official letter informed me that I have been awarded a one-room *shikun* in Buz Haemek.

Mar. 28.—At the department, a genial official congratulated me on my luxurious *shikun*, situated in the vicinity of Tel Aviv, 82 kms. due north-west. The flat itself is built according to the latest American methods, which completely dispense with the complicated partition wall system, concentrating everything in one room. Most remarkable.

Mar. 30.—In the afternoon, a special courier brought a message informing me that failure to pay IL250 by noon today would result in the forfeiture of my *shikun*. I rushed into the street and sold my two-ton crate of personal belongings to the first passer-by for a trifling 263 pounds. At the last moment, just before closing time, I arrived by taxi at the *shikun* department. The official told me that collection of the *shikun* dues would start only in a fortnight. Until then, I shall have to keep the money. Eizik sprinkled pieces of glass all over the floor. They are terribly crunchy.

Apr. 30.—Finally! I paid the money and signed about a dozen forms, but the well-meaning official warned me that although the work was scheduled to start in a few days' time, I should not expect to move in before the end of May.

June 29.—Went out to Buz Haemek. Could hardly find it for all the sand. As yet, there is nothing there, only a workman sifting gravel in the middle of the desert. What's this?

July 2.—Buttonholed the official. Says work will start within a matter of days and will be carried out in a truly American tempo. And what happens if Eizik's pistol does not misfire next time?

July 28.—Again was out at Buz Haemek. Workman still sifting. Gravel by now looks like rice powder. Nothing else.

Aug. 11.—At Buz Haemek again. Even the worker is gone. And the gravel, too.

Aug. 12.—Broke into office, but found a new man, who informed me that his predecessor was appointed justice of the peace in Safad and he does not know anything. would I please stop bothering him. When I insisted, he bawled me out, saying that he had lived for years in a malarial tent without complaining. He threatened to return my IL250 if I did not assist the authorities in their salutary work. Now wouldn't I be patient if Eizik had not wailed in our room?

Sep. 1.—Was officially notified that the building of my Buz Haemek *shikun* is proceeding according to plan and that my account was charged with IL8 for a 10-yard lime pit.

Sep. 20.—The *shikun* department regretfully informed me that the building would take another 10 days. If only Eizik does not discover the tunnel before then. I would like to move out of this place.

Oct. 15.—Went to Buz Haemek. Found two sacks of cement and a night watchman.

Jan. 8.—Buz Haemek. Nothing. Give up.

Jan. 15.—Wanted to go to Mograbi, but habit made me board Buz Haemek bus. The *shikunim* are ready. There are 270 beautiful new houses with water, electricity and everything laid on. Only the floor is missing. Hooray! At the *shikun* department, I gratefully pump the hands of the workers.

Jan. 27.—Cannot yet move in, floor is not ready. Informed the Pasteur Institute that Eizik must have caught the rabies, because he bit himself. The idiot. What now?

Feb. 17.—Floor is not yet ready.

Mar. 7.—No floor.

Apr. 7.—Why is there no floor?

Apr. 15.—Don't like my flat, because everything reminds me of poor Eizik of blessed memory. Decided to move, floor or no floor. Went out. A war invalid's 32-member family lives in my *shikun*. Perhaps this has something to do with the note I received a day before yesterday informing me that as I have been in the country for longer than a year, I was no longer entitled to a *shikun*. Never mind. Patience. Am getting the hang of things.

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Yesterday's Press

Abu Nawar and Nasser

OMER (Histadrut) notes that after Abu Nawar's rise Jordan will soon be safely ensconced under Cairo's hobnailed boot. This is a lesson that should not be lost on Israel, for it is clear that Abdul Nasser is spreading his domination over the other Arab countries.

This is no longer an internecine contest, but is a move to muster all Arab strength against Israel, continues Omer. That is why we see a very grave danger in the latest Jordan development and that is why we warn the West, which has been ousted from this region, and the East, which has succeeded in penertating it, that greater power and influence for the mailed fist will augur no good for the Middle East, for the Powers or for the world. This is also the view of Al Hamishmar (Mapam).

Go in and Take Over

Describing Jordan as a chaos-ridden country, Herut writes that the new Amman leadership is showing its mettle in its attitude toward Israel, and sight should not be lost of the fact that, together with aggressiveness on this front, mines have again been laid on the Egyptian front, proving that the two countries have now reached the point of coordinated aggressiveness. The time has come, writes Herut, for the Government to exploit the political pandemonium in Jordan by resorting to measures that will intensify the chaos by annexing Jordan.

Haboker (General Zionist) says that after a long campaign in the Knesset, the independent earners have received recognition of their rights to parity with employed workers in the matter of Income Tax allowances, but it seems that income tax officials insist on interpreting the ruling according to their own lights and the result is as if the law had never been amended. The time has come for officials to learn that they may not thwart the intentions of the Knesset by arrogating a meaning of their own to an adopted law.

Ha'aretz (non-party) finds that there is no call for nationalising (read subsidizing) Habimah Theatre, averring that there are more vital needs for which the Government coffers are too empty. In addition, there is no reason why this theatre should be favoured over others, since it does not fulfil any essentially specific national function. Besides, freeing Habimah of its financial worries would not automatically solve other burning problems which its members would then feel themselves free to forget about.

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31.12.54 IL.	CAPITAL AND RESERVES	IL. Authorised	IL. Subscribed	IL. Paid-up
	Share Capital:			
607,500	Shares IL 1 each	1,044,000	1,044,000	1,044,000
660,000	Shares IL100 each	1,804,000	1,044,000	1,044,000
1,267,500		2,388,000	2,388,000	2,388,000
982,000	Special Reserve***)			—
264,753	Reserves and Balances of Profit and Loss Account			578,331
2,249,253				2,966,331
240,305	SHAREHOLDERS			—
	MINISTRY OF FINANCE:			
926,000	Special financing account (advances)			1,854,606
	LONG-TERM LOANS:			
300,000	Secured by a charge on part of equipment			262,956
	CURRENT LIABILITIES:			
6,000,197	Banks, documentary credit a/c, creditors for oil and oil products, provision for Taxation, Sundry Creditors and credit balances			16,721,076
	CONTRA ACCOUNTS:			
	Customers, Guarantees a/c		943,827	
	Suppliers, Claims a/c		84,727	
	Banks, Documentary Credits a/c		2,731,027	
			3,764,581	
10,474,695				27,724,949

31.12.54 IL.	FIXED ASSETS:	IL. Value	IL. Depreciation	IL. Balance
	Land, at cost	130,503	—	130,503
575,381	Buildings, fuel tanks, carts, motor vehicles, etc., partly as per revaluation*)	1,390,493	330,195	1,060,298
24,854	Furniture and office equipment, at nominal value	56,866	56,865	1
600,135		1,577,862	387,060	1,190,802
88,217	Materials and Equipment on a/c of Investments, etc.			216,857
4,635	Government Loans (including Compulsory Loan), at cost			18,365
688,187				1,423,024
—	SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES: Shares at cost & Current a/c			74,217
983,935	MINISTRY OF FINANCE			—
	CURRENT ASSETS:			
	Stock, as per Directors' Declaration:			
8,977,931	Oil and oil products, at cost (based on refining calculation)	8,272,109		
—	Spare Parts, at cost	61,683		
—	Oil and oil products, in transit	850,129	6,983,921	
	Debtors:			
	Customers, current a/c, **promissory notes, payments on a/c of Taxes, Sundry debtors and debit balances		6,738,447	cfw85mfal
5,009,568				
745,553	Cash in hand & with Banks		2,422,956	16,185,324
9,715,968				
86,671	DEFERRED EXPENDITURE			62,364
	CONTRA ACCOUNTS:			
	Guarantees, received from customers		943,827	
	Claims		84,727	
	Documentary Credits		2,731,027	
			3,764,581	
10,474,695				27,724,949

***) Distributed in the financial year as Bonus-Shares.

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AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF "DELEK" THE ISRAEL FUEL CORPORATION LTD.

We have audited the attached Balance Sheet and Profit & Loss Account annexed thereto, and have obtained the information and explanations which, to the best of our knowledge and belief, were necessary for the purpose of our audit. In our opinion, proper books of accounts have been kept by the Company, so far as it appears from our examination thereof.

The said Balance Sheet and Profit & Loss Account are in agreement with the books of Accounts, and in our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us, the said Balance Sheet gives a true and fair view of the state of the Company's affairs as at December 31, 1955, and the Profit and Loss Account gives a true and fair view of the results of its financial activities for the year ended on that date.

Tel Aviv, April 25, 1956.

HAFT & HAFT, Certified Public Accountants
EVI LUBOSHITZ, Certified Public Accountant